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LETTER DATED 5 AUGUST 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF AZERBAIJAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to inform you that the Armenian occupation of the city of Agdam of the Azerbaijani Republic continues to be condemned by leading countries.

In particular, a statement by Michael McCurry, spokesman of the United States Department of State, dated 4 August 1993, says that "following condemnation by the United States Department of State of the 23 July attack by Nagorny Karabakh Armenian forces on the Azerbaijani city of Agdam, the Department of State has learned that these forces have also thoroughly looted and burned Agdam".

The spokesman further stresses that the "United States deplores this outrageous action, which is unjustifiable, further undermines the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe-sponsored peace process, and adds to the suffering of innocent civilians. We strongly urge full compliance with United Nations Security Council resolution 853 (1993), including the immediate, complete and unconditional withdrawal of Nagorny-Karabakh forces from Agdam".

On behalf of my Government, and in accordance with Security Council resolutions 853 (1993) and 822 (1993), I ask you to take appropriate measures to ensure compliance by the Republic of Armenia with the provisions of both resolutions.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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